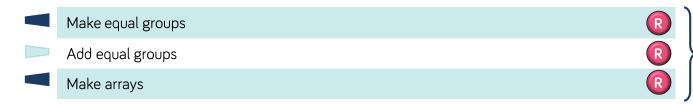






## Overview Small Steps



Notes for 2020/21

Use this time to recap the basics of multiplication. Year 2 multiplication will be covered in the Spring term.



#### Making Equal Groups

#### Notes and Guidance

Children begin by using stories which link to pictures and concrete manipulatives to explore making equal groups and write statements such as 'there are \_\_\_\_ groups of \_\_\_\_.' They will recognise and explain how they know when they are equal or not. Children see equal groups that are arranged differently so they understand that the groups look different but can still be equal in number.

At this stage children do not explore multiplication formally.

#### Mathematical Talk

How do I know that the groups are equal? What does equal mean?

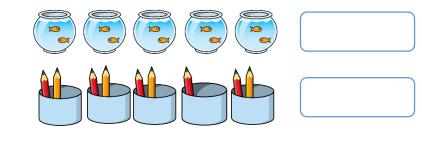
How many pencils are there in each pot? How can I complete the sentence to describe the groups?

What's the same and what's different?

Are Josh's groups equal or unequal? How can we make them equal?

#### Varied Fluency

Are the groups equal or unequal? Write a label for each.



Complete the sentences



There are \_\_\_\_ groups of \_\_\_\_ pencils.



There are \_\_\_\_ groups of \_\_\_\_ flowers.

Josh is drawing equal groups of 3



Complete his drawing.



#### **Making Equal Groups**

#### **Reasoning and Problem Solving**

Dora and Rosie are making hay bundles.

Who has made equal groups?

# Dora

Explain how you know.



Rosie

groups of 3 hay bundles.

Possible answer:

Dora has made

because she has 3

equal groups

Rosie has two unequal groups. Use concrete materials or pictures to complete the questions.

Alex has 4 equal groups. Show me what Alex's groups could look like.

Whitney has 3 unequal groups. Show me what Whitney's groups could look like.

Children will show 4 groups where there are the same amount in each group for Alex and 3 groups that are unequal for Whitney.

Encourage children to do this in more than one way.



### Add Equal Groups

#### Notes and Guidance

Children use equal groups to find a total. They focus on counting equal groups of 2, 5 and 10 and explore this within 50.

Children could begin by linking this to real life, for example animal legs, wheels, flowers in vases etc.

Stem sentences alongside number sentences can help children link the calculation with the situation. Ensure children have the opportunity to say their sentences aloud.

#### Mathematical Talk

How many apples are there in each bag? Do all of the bags have an equal number of apples? How many equal groups can you see?

How can we represent this with counters/cubes/on a number line/in a number sentence etc?

What other equipment could you use to represent your pattern? What's the same? What's different?

Which is more, 3 groups of 10 or 4 groups of 5? Prove why.

#### Varied Fluency



2+2+2+2+2=

3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16

How many fingers altogether?

b (5+5+5=

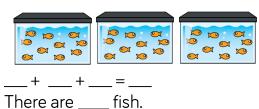
How many apples are there? Complete the sentences.

5+5+5+5=

There are \_\_\_\_\_ apples.

There are \_\_\_\_\_ groups of \_\_\_\_\_ apples which is equal to \_\_\_\_\_

How many fish are there? Complete the sentences.

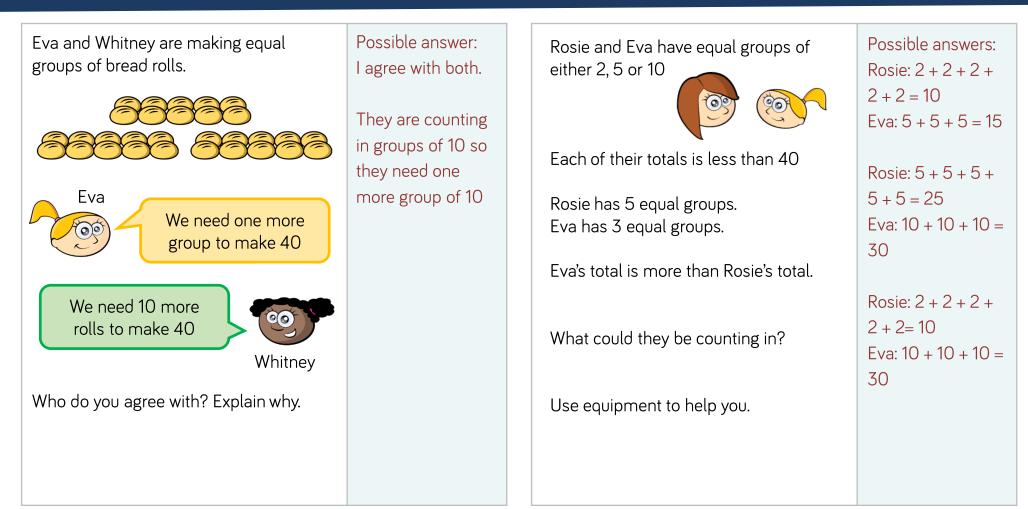


Can you show this using ten frames?



#### Add Equal Groups

#### **Reasoning and Problem Solving**





#### Make Arrays

#### Notes and Guidance

Children begin to make arrays by making equal groups and building them up in columns or rows.

They use a range of concrete and pictorial representations alongside sentence stems to support their understanding.

Children also explore arrays built incorrectly and recognise the importance of columns and rows.

#### Mathematical Talk

How many equal groups do I have? How many in each group? Can I represent my apples with counters?

What is the difference between columns and rows? How many counters in each row? How many counters in each column?

How can I record my array with a number sentence?

#### Varied Fluency

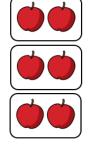
Build an array with counters to represent the apples. Complete the sentences.

There are	apples in each row.
There are	rows.
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There are \_\_\_\_\_ apples altogether.

#### Complete the table.

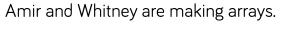
Array	Description - columns	Description - rows	Totals
	5 columns 2 cookies in each column	2 rows 5 cookies in each row	2+2+2+2+2=10 5+5=10
0000	columns donuts in each column	rows donuts in each row	
	columns fish in each column	rows fish in each row	
	3 columns 5 cupcakes in each column	5 rows 3 cupcakes in each row	

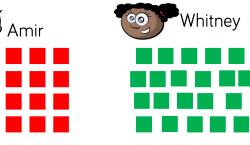




#### Make Arrays

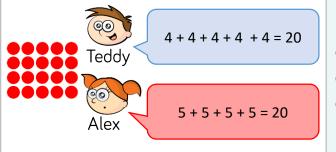
#### **Reasoning and Problem Solving**





Who has made a mistake? Explain why.

Teddy and Alex are writing number sentences to describe the array.



Who do you agree with? Explain why.

Possible answer: Whitney has made a mistake because her array is not in columns. There are an unequal amount of squares in each row.

Possible answer: They are both right. Teddy has counted the columns. Alex has counted the rows. Eva begins to make an array with 40 counters. She has finished her first row and her first column. Complete her array.

Possible answer: Array showing 10 + 10 + 10 + 10 = 40 Or 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 + 4 =

40

Write two different number sentences to describe the finished array.

